UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

Case No. 16-cr-20466 Hon. Matthew F. Leitman

v.

JARED PATRICK LOCKWOOD,

Defendant.

ORDER DECLINING TO ISSUE CERTIFICATE OF APPEALABILITY

In December 2016, this Court sentenced Defendant Jared Lockwood in connection with his pleas of guilty to charges of manufacturing an unregistered destructive device and making a false declaration before a federal court. (*See* Judgment, ECF No. 16.) On January 18, 2018, Lockwood filed a motion to vacate his conviction and sentence under 28 U.S.C. § 2255. (*See* Mot., ECF No. 21). The motion plainly lacked merit, and the Court denied it. (*See* Order, ECF No. 24.) The Court later denied Lockwood's motion for a certificate of appealabilty related to that decision. (*See* Order, ECF No. 31.)

On May 14, 2019, Lockwood filed a motion for reconsideration of the Court's January 25, 2018, order pursuant to Rule 60(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. (*See* Mot., ECF No. 32.) Lockwood also filed a motion for discovery. (*See* Mot., ECF No. 33.) The Court denied both motions in a written order dated

June 28, 2019. (See Order, ECF No. 34.) Lockwood has now filed an appeal of that

order. (See Notice of Appeal, ECF No. 35.)

In the Court's June 28, 2019, order, it did not address whether Lockwood was

entitled to a certificate of appealability with respect to the Court's ruling. The Court

has reviewed the record and concludes that Lockwood is not entitled to a certificate

of appealability. Lockwood has not made a substantial showing of the denial of a

constitutional right. Moreover, reasonable jurists could not debate the correctness

of the Court's denial of Lockwood's motions for reconsideration under Rule 60(b)

and discovery, and the issues raised by Lockwood do not deserve encouragement to

proceed further. See Slack v. McDaniel, 529 U.S. 473, 483-84 (2000) (setting forth

standards for granting a certificate of appealability).

Accordingly, the Court **DECLINES** to issue Lockwood a certificate of

appealability related to the Court's June 28, 2019, order.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/Matthew F. Leitman

MATTHEW F. LEITMAN

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Dated: October 9, 2019

2

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing document was served upon the parties and/or counsel of record on October 9, 2019, by electronic means and/or ordinary mail.

s/Holly A. Monda
Case Manager
(810) 341-9764